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- 2. An Amendment A (9 pages).

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Re:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/981,858 for METHODS AND

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Sir:

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AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated May 3, 2005, for which a shortened statutory period is set to expire on <u>July 3, 2005</u>. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.